# State of Connecticut Handicapped Parking Spaces and Signs Statutes and Regulations

#### Connecticut General Statutes, Sec. 14-253a(h)

(h) Parking spaces designated for the handicapped on or after October 1, 1979, and prior to October 1, 2004, shall be as near as possible to a building entrance or walkway and shall be fifteen feet wide including three feet of cross hatch, or parallel to a sidewalk on a public highway. On and after October 1, 2004, parking spaces for passenger motor vehicles designated for the handicapped shall be as near as possible to a building entrance or walkway and shall be fifteen feet wide including five feet of cross hatch. On and after October 1, 2004, parking spaces for passenger vans designated for the handicapped shall be as near as possible to a building entrance or walkway and shall be sixteen feet wide including eight feet of cross hatch. Such spaces shall be designated by above grade signs with white lettering against a blue background and shall bear the words "handicapped parking permit required" and "violators will be fined". Such sign shall also bear the international symbol of access. When such a sign is replaced, repaired or erected it shall indicate the minimum fine for a violation of subsection (f) of this section. Such indicator may be in the form of a notice affixed to such a sign.

### ICC/ANSI A117.1-2003 Portion of the 2005 State Building Code

#### 502 Parking Spaces

**502.1 General.** Accessible car and van parking spaces shall comply with Section 502.

(Amd) **502.2 Vehicle space size.** Parking spaces designated for persons with disabilities shall be as near as possible to a building entrance or walkway. Accessible automobile parking spaces shall be 15 feet in width including 5 feet of cross hatch. Accessible van spaces shall be 16 feet in width including 8 feet of cross hatch. Cross hatched portions shall not be shared between spaces.

**502.3 Vehicle Space Marking.** Car and van parking spaces shall be marked to define the width. Where parking spaces are marked with lines, the width measurements of parking spaces and adjacent access aisles shall be made from the centerline of the markings.

**EXCEPTION:** Where parking spaces or access aisles are not adjacent to another parking space or access aisle, measurements shall be permitted to include the full width of the line defining the parking space or access aisle.

(Del) **502.4 Access aisle.** Delete section and subsections without substitution.

(Amd) **502.5 Floor or ground surfaces.** Accessible parking spaces shall have a surface with a gradient not more than one unit vertical to 50 units horizontal (1:50).

**502.6 Vertical Clearance.** Parking spaces for vans, access aisles serving them, and vehicular routes from an entrance to the van parking spaces, and from the van parking spaces to a vehicular exit serving them shall provide a vertical clearance of 98 inches (2490 mm) minimum.

(Amd) **502.7 Identification.** Accessible parking spaces shall be identified by above grade signs in accordance with Section 1110.1 of the 2003 International Building Code portion of the 2005 State Building Code.

**502.8 Relationship to Accessible Routes**. Parking spaces and access aisles shall be designed so that cars and vans, when parked, can not obstruct the required clear width of adjacent accessible routes.

## SECTION 1106 PARKING AND PASSENGER LOADING FACILITIES

**1106.1 Required.** Where parking is provided, accessible parking spaces shall be provided in compliance with Table 1106.1, except as required by Sections 1106.2 through 1106.4. The number of accessible parking spaces shall be determined based on the total number of parking spaces provided for the facility.

**Exception:** This section does not apply to parking spaces used exclusively for buses, trucks, other delivery vehicles, law enforcement vehicles or vehicular impound and motor pools where lots accessed by the public are provided with an accessible passenger loading zone.

TABLE 1106.1 ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES

TOTAL PARKING SPACES PROVIDED	REQUIRED MINIMUM NUMBER OF ACCESSIBLE SPACES
1 to 25	1
26 to 50	2
51 to 75	3
76 to 100	4
101 to 150	5
151 to 200	6
201 to 300	7
301 to 400	8
401 to 500	9
501 to 1,000	2% of total
More than 1,000	20, plus one for each 100
	over 1,000

(Add) 1106.1.1 Automobile accessible parking spaces. Pursuant to subsection (h) of section 14-253a of the Connecticut General Statutes, parking spaces for passenger motor vehicles designated for the handicapped shall be as near as possible to a building entrance or walkway and shall be 15 feet wide including 5 feet of cross hatch. Cross-hatched portions shall not be shared between spaces.

(Amd) **1106.2 Groups R-2 and R-3.** Two per cent, but not less than one, of each type of parking space provided for in occupancies in Groups R-2 and R-3, which are required to have Accessible, Type A or Type B dwelling or sleeping units shall be accessible.

(Add) 1106.2.1 Group R-2 and R-3 parking within or beneath a building. Where parking is provided within or beneath a building, accessible parking spaces shall also be provided within or beneath the building.

**Exception:** Private parking garages within or beneath the building that contain no more than two parking spaces, that are reserved for the exclusive use of a specific dwelling unit and are directly accessed from that dwelling unit are not required to be accessible.

**1106.3 Hospital outpatient facilities.** Ten percent of patient and visitor parking spaces provided to serve hospital outpatient facilities shall be accessible.

**1106.4 Rehabilitation facilities and outpatient physical therapy facilities.** Twenty percent, but not less than one, of the portion of patient and visitor parking spaces serving rehabilitation facilities and outpatient physical therapy facilities shall be accessible.

**1106.5 Van spaces.** For every six or fraction of six accessible parking spaces, at least one shall be a vanaccessible parking space.

(Add) 1106.5.1 Van accessible parking spaces. Pursuant to subsection (h) of section 14-253a of the Connecticut General Statutes, parking spaces for passenger vans designated for the handicapped shall be as near as possible to a building entrance or walkway and shall be 16 feet wide including 8 feet of cross hatch. Cross hatched portions shall not be shared between spaces.

(Add) **1106.5.1.1 Van access clearance.** Pursuant to subsection (i) of section 14-253a of the Connecticut General Statutes, each public parking garage or terminal shall have 8 feet 2 inches vertical clearance at a primary entrance and along the route to at least two parking spaces for passenger vans that conform to Section 1106.5.1 and that have 8 feet 2 inches of vertical clearance.

1106.6 Location. Accessible parking spaces shall be located on the shortest accessible route of travel from adjacent parking to an accessible building entrance. Accessible parking spaces shall be dispersed among the various types of parking facilities provided. In parking facilities that do not serve a particular building, accessible parking spaces shall be located on the shortest route to an accessible pedestrian entrance to the parking facility. Where buildings have multiple accessible entrances with adjacent parking, accessible parking spaces shall be dispersed and located near the accessible entrances.

**Exception:** In multilevel parking structures, vanaccessible parking spaces are permitted on one level.

**1106.7 Passenger loading zones.** Passenger loading zones shall be designed and constructed in accordance with ICC A117.1.

**1106.7.1 Continuous loading zones.** Where passenger loading zones are provided, one passenger loading zone in every continuous 100 linear feet (30.4 m) maximum of loading zone space shall be accessible.

**1106.7.2 Medical facilities.** A passenger loading zone shall be provided at an accessible entrance to licensed medical and long-term care facilities where people receive physical or medical treatment or care and where the period of stay exceeds 24 hours.

**1106.7.3 Valet parking.** A passenger loading zone shall be provided at valet parking services.